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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants are submitting herewith a copy of a Japanese document 09-115664 to Kazama cited in a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. This document listed in the attached form PTO/SB/08A for the Examiner's consideration.

Regarding this, it is noted that the Kazama disclosure is believed merely to be cumulative in essentially teaching the same type of general device set forth in the references to Rogers and Eguchi already cited in the Office Action. Specifically, Kazama simply teaches an insulating liquid 23 filled into a sealed space, but is completely devoid of the recognition of the amount of water contained as an impurity in the insulating liquid being kept to no more than 100 ppm. As such, it is believed that this is simply accumulative prior art.

It is also noted that this Japanese patent document to Kazama has been cited

in a counterpart Korean patent application to the present application. Regarding this, the claims in the Korean patent application which contain the limitation of the amount of water being not greater than 100 ppm have been indicated as allowable in the Korean case, thereby serving as a recognition by the Korean patent Examiner of the patentable distinction of this feature over the general teachings of Kazama.

It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered by the Examiner.

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